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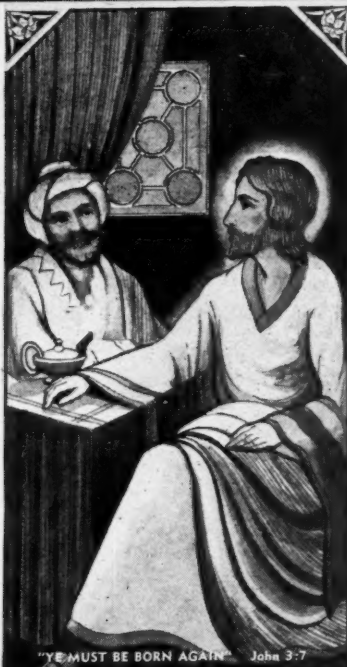
### MEDITATIONS

Think, what you have done for the Master  
As you sit at the close of the day.  
Have you spoken some words of kindness,  
Helped some weary soul on its way?

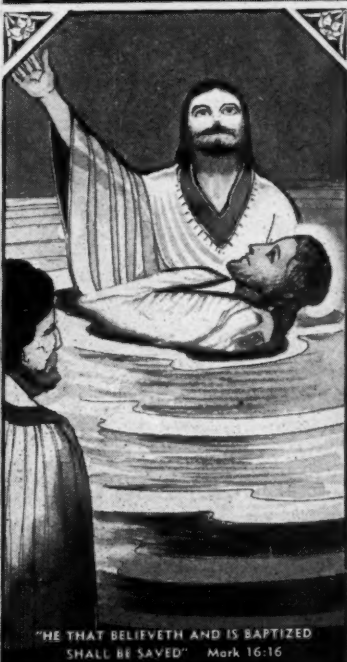
Have you prayed, then sought the Savior,  
Ever bending your soul at His will?  
Or did you find Satan held you as hostage  
Till God said, "Enough, peace be still"?

There's always gladness after sorrow,  
With peace and joy after storm;  
So tell erring souls about Jesus, that they  
May enter the port safe from harm.

—Mary Godfrey, Supply, Arkansas



"YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN" John 3:7



"HE THAT BELIEVETH AND IS BAPTIZED  
SHALL BE SAVED" Mark 16:16



"AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST,  
AND BEGAN TO SPEAK WITH OTHER TONGUES" Acts 2:4



"WHEREFORE JESUS ALSO, THAT HE MIGHT  
SANCTIFY THE PEOPLE WITH HIS OWN BLOOD,  
SUFFERED WITHOUT THE GATE" Heb. 13:12



"THE CHURCH OF GOD, WHICH HE HATH PURCHASED  
WITH HIS OWN BLOOD" Acts 20:28



### Special Day of Prayer For Imprisoned Minister

Brother Lauster is still imprisoned in Germany and has been for many months. We do not know of any likelihood of his being released soon. We are asking the Church of God in America to have a special day of prayer Sunday, March 5, for his release.

We know God is able to do all things and we believe that if 50,000 members of the Church of God will go to prayer for him, God is able to deliver him. Sister Lauster is greatly encouraged in many respects. The Lord is wonderfully blessing her, but, of course, much sorrow fills the hearts of the family and loved ones because of their father and companion being away.

Please don't forget to set aside this day as a special day of prayer that God may see fit to deliver.—Signed: Mission Board — E. C. Clark, T. M. McClendon, M. P. Cross, E. W. Williams, Zeno C. Tharp.

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To whom it may concern: This is to notify you that Brother J. S. Watson is no longer clerk of the Mt. Zion (Ark.) church, as he has moved away. Brother H. L. Berry is new clerk. Members, please take notice to the change. Brother Watson served as clerk here for many years and we miss him and his family in our services very much. May God bless them is our prayers.—A. R. Willingham, pastor, Steprock, Ark.

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We are in the midst of a revival at North Woodville, Mich. church. State evangelist Carl Cook, is conducting the meeting. Please pray with us that souls will get a real experience with God.—Mrs. Ralph Jackson, Bitely, Mich.

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To the ministry, laity and friends of the Church of God in Mississippi and to all whom it may concern: Our conventions of the various districts of the state will convene as follows: Southern district, Earl Brewer, district overseer, March 17-19; Southwestern district, G. G. Prince, overseer, Mar. 24-26; Northwestern district, M. C. Cockrell, overseer, March 31-April 2; North Central district, W. L. Sharp, overseer, April 7-9; Central district, C. H. Gardner, overseer, April 14-16; Eastern district, W. F. Sharp, overseer, April 21-23; Northeastern district, Horatio Mitchell, overseer, April 28-30.

May we insist that each local church strive to make a paid in full report; namely, 5 per cent missions, age ministers, Bible School offering, and all the Church program calls for, and if you have not satisfied the state Sunday School, Y. P. E. and L. W. W. B. program, please do so at once as we will be expecting a report from each local church in these different departments.

We are requesting that all pastors and evangelists please close all revivals and special day programs during convention time on your respective districts and go to your convention and carry all your members and friends. Go to the first service, which will begin at 7:00 p. m., Friday, and stay until the benediction at 4:00 p. m. the following Sunday. Go with all your might, victory, grace and glory. Be a booster and especially of your district convention mission offering as HALF of this particular offering will be retained in the state and on your respective district, to be used for the district mission work.

These conventions come only once a year and if you miss this one you will not have another opportunity like this in twelve months. So come on, brother,

sister and friend, we will be looking for you. Come with a look of love in your eyes, a smile of peace on your lips, a spring in your heel and a hallelujah in your SOUL. Bring your quartets, duets, trios, solos. Bring your instruments of ten strings, two strings, four strings, six strings. Well, bring all the good music you have along with your prayers, sermons, and testimonies and let's make these the greatest conventions ever.—Thos. G. Godwin, overseer of Mississippi.

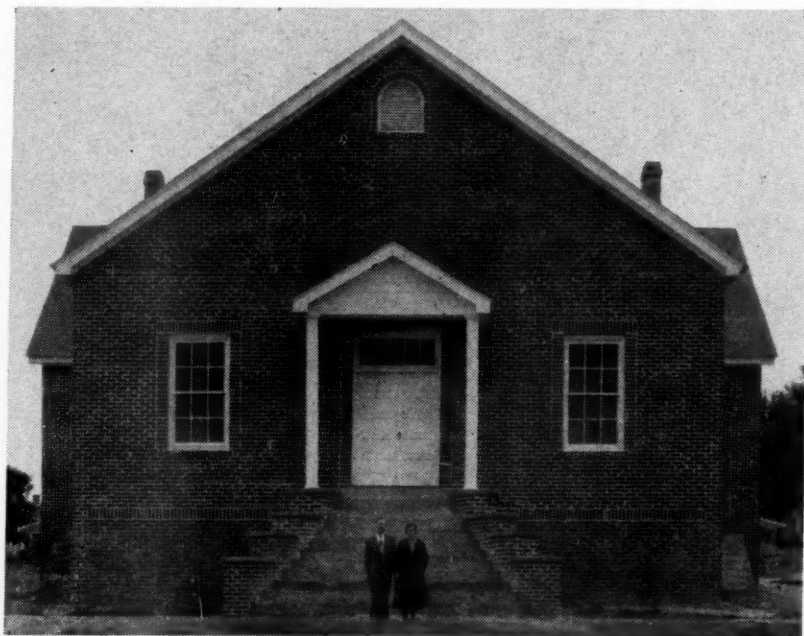
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Brother Paul H. Seiton plans to begin a revival at Minot, N. Dak., Sunday, Feb. 19.

Brother Hughes Morehead, pastor of the church at Minot, plans for a special meeting at Roseglen, N. Dak. or Lignite, N. Dak. soon.

The revival at Bismarck closed Sunday, Feb. 12, Evangelist D. C. Boatwright doing the preaching, with God putting His approval on same. Thirty-five were won for God during this meeting.

D. C. Boatwright began a revival at McIntosh, S. Dak. Feb. 19 with his  
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### New Church of God at Greenwood, S. C.



We will dedicate the new brick veneer church at Greenwood, S. C. March 5 at 3:00 p. m. This will be the first Sunday in March. We are expecting Brother Johnson, our Assistant General Overseer, Brother J. H. Walker, our General Overseer, and other city and county officials to be present. This church is 50x80, with a 40x60 basement, with Sunday School rooms. This church was set in order in January, 1930, with five members. The wooden building was built in 1931 and the brick building in 1938. We now have 163 members.—C. E. McAbee, pastor, 308 Parker St., Greenwood, S. C.



## Standing Before the Congregation

R. P. JOHNSON

Text: Num. 16:9, "*Seemeth it but a small thing unto you, that the God of Israel has separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to himself to do the service of the tabernacle of the Lord, and to stand before the congregation to minister unto them?*"

### FIRST

Allow me to suggest that we consider **WHAT YOUR PRESENCE IN THE PULPIT SIGNIFIES**, for there is no sphere of labor endowed with such holy privilege, sacred promise and glorious possibilities. Neither is there any other sphere of labor where your spiritual and other weaknesses can be so painfully manifest. Your labor or service in the pulpit may be that of overwhelming power for good, or it may be that of shameful and tragic defeat. Therefore, you should be always conscious of your calling, who it is that calls you, and what that calling signifies, that you have accepted a call from God and that He has appointed you to an office instituted by Himself and for His glory, that you are to speak for Him and are accountable to Him (2 Tim. 4:1) for your efforts while filling such office. Knowing that your call is a solemn summons from the Almighty, aware of the fact that the Church of God has honored you by complying with the request of the Holy Ghost to set you forth to the work whereunto He has called you, Acts 13:2, you should love that calling and with glowing delight endeavor to abide therein in such a manner as to glorify God, honor the Church and bless your congregation. You are to have but one great passion and should live for it only—**THE GLORIOUS WORK OF MINISTERING IN THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST.**

### NOTICE

Your office work is preaching and laboring in such a manner as to lead weary or wayward, eager or indifferent souls and point them the way of the **HOLY PLACE**, to help sinners to the fountain of cleansing, to aid those who are in bondage in finding the powers of deliverance and to songs of victory, to help the lame, the halt, the impotent to come to the knowledge of Christ and His power to save and heal (Acts 5:1, 21), to help the proud find freedom from the curse of vanity, and to save the weak and discouraged from despair, to insist on believers walking in the light, to warn saints of the evil of division and to show the blessing of unity, to expound New Testament government believers and to insist on them receiving this precious truth with the same degree

of gladness and appreciation that they do other doctrines of the Bible. Even little children are expecting you to help them to an understanding of what the Master meant when He said, "Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me." The aged pilgrim whose days are few, whose trials are hard and whose load heavy, you can help to realize the heavenly Father's tender care, and to cherish the hope of soon entering that home not built with hands. The above is just a brief of what your presence in the pulpit signifies, and your possible glory is that you perform it and your possible shame is that you fail to realize it or hinder it.

### WHEN

The lost or backslidden come to your services you will be either a minister or barrier to their salvation. Your utterances and the spirit in which they go forth will either minister to their deliverance or add to their miserable plight. Your preaching will either enlighten or confuse your congregation. Your discourses and acts may be so powerful as to grip souls and compel them to seek God or they may become stumbling blocks over which your listeners will have to climb if they commune with God and taste of His grace. Your state-

ments may break stony hearts or cause hearts to become as hard as stone. Your efforts will either make friends or enemies, or enemies of friends. Your life may be as a mighty magnet drawing sinner and saint to the service, or it may be so offensive as to drive both away.

### YOU

May never have as deep insight into some of the mysteries of God as some others, and there may be passages of scripture that you cannot give as clear interpretation. You may never be as forceful in expression, not astound men with argument and oratory, thus gaining their admiration and applause. But there is another and better way of commanding their respect and securing their co-operation, and that is for you to see to it that all your powers are consecrated then seek the supernatural aid that God has promised you, use the means at your command with honest purpose. While you may never be considered a great pulpit orator, when judged by worldly values, yet with a true heart, be prayerful and ambitious to be pure, sincere and void of offense. If you can't be big, you should make sure that you are clean, and that your life is an open uninterrupted channel through which the streams of grace and rivers of living waters can freely flow.

### EXAMINE YOURSELF

Before you appear in public or stand  
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## Be Thou an Example

(Meaning a pattern, a model or copy; sample; specimen.)

J. O. ROSIER

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### OTHER BIBLICAL CHARACTERS WHO WERE EXAMPLES

Notice Gideon, Judges 6, how God looked upon him. God had a great work for someone to do. He wanted one who would be an example and He chose Gideon for the work. No doubt there were many who were better qualified to do this work, better educated, maybe came from great families, etc., but God saw something in Gideon that man could not see. Notice his excuse in v. 15, "And he said unto him, Oh my Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? behold, my family is poor in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house." But God would have him go, so He gave him 32,000 men to go with him, but they had to be tested out. Twenty-two thousand went back because they were fearful.

Many today fail to be examples in the testing time, but Gideon went on, still showing to be an example after losing so great a number. They had to be tested again at the water's edge. The

Bible said to watch and pray, but we find here that many failed to watch; they bowed down to drink, keeping no watch for the enemy. God saw that they would not do for examples; all failed but three hundred, but Gideon would not be discouraged. He took what was left and obeyed God and won the victory. How? By being an example. Many, I fear, have started out for God but have become discouraged because someone else failed to prove to be an example (fearful and drinkers).

### DAVID

1 Sam. 17. David was an example when he visited the camp and found Saul and his army all afraid of the man Goliath who would come out and defy the army of Israel or the armies of the living God. His own brother Eliab's anger was kindled against him for showing signs that he wanted to fight the great Goliath, but David wanted to be an example. King Saul nor any of his army would undertake the job. In v. 33 Saul tells him that he is not able to go

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### EDITORIALS

#### Not a Word

"And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. Then said Pilate unto him, Hearst thou not how many things they witness against thee? And he answered him to never a word," Matt. 27:12-14.

Jesus was our example while He was on earth, and He said that we must be like Him for we shall see Him as He is. Below I am quoting a little tract written by Stephen Merritt, that was handed to me, because I believe it is the best of its kind I have ever read.

"NOT RAILING FOR RAILING, not a word. How much is lost by a word! Be still; keep quiet; if they smite you on one cheek, turn the other also. Never retort. Hush—not a word! Never mind your reputation nor character—they are in His hands, and you mar them by trying to retain them.

"OPEN NOT Y O U R M O U T H. SILENCE! A word will grieve, disturb, frighten away the gentle dove. Hush—not a word! Are you misunderstood? Never mind. Will it hurt your influence and weaken your power for good? Leave it to Him. His to take care and charge. Are you wronged and your good name tarnished? All right. Be it yours to be MEEK AND LOWLY; simple and gentle—not a word. Let Him keep you in perfect peace; stay your mind on Him; trust in Him. Hush! Be quiet before the world and rest in Him. Not a word of argument, debate or controversy. Mind your own business; be still.

"NEVER JUDGE NOR CONDEMN, never arraign nor censure. Not a word! Never an unclean or an unkind expression. Never a doubt nor a fear. Never a disparaging remark of another. As you would others should do to the world, so do ye.

"PAUSE! BE STILL! SELAH! Not a word, emphatically; not even a look,

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Help us make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

This paper reserves the right to condense reports, testimonies, etc., to a conformity of a proper allowance of space.

that will mar the sweet serenity of the soul. Get still. Know God. Keep silent before Him. Stillness is better than noise.

"Not a word of murmuring nor complaining in supplication; not a word of nagging nor persuading. Let language be simple, gentle, quiet; you utter not a word, but give Him opportunity to speak. Harken to hear His voice. Listen to obey. This is the way to honor and to know Him. Not a word—not the last word!

"WORDS MAKE TROUBLE. Be still. This is the voice of the Spirit. Take no thought for tomorrow; worry not about home, church or business cares. Cast all on Him, and not a word. We think so hard, pray so hard, and trust so hard, that we become unrestful and disquieted and noisy, and thus drive Him away. Worry makes the place of His abiding unpleasant, and He leaves.

"NOT A WORD TO ANYONE of your worries, nor of desire to know what to do. Take it not out of His hands. He is to keep in perfect peace; but do not go to another for wisdom or direction.

"I HAD A SEVERE TRIAL, long continued. I rode with a dear brother in the cars, and I opened to him my heart, and poured out my weighty burdens in his ears; I took his earnest advice to my heart. His voice was not the mind of the Spirit, and when I returned to my seat in the car, the Spirit gently said to me, 'So you went to him? You could not trust me?' It broke my heart. I apologized, was forgiven, restored and determined never to take my case out of His hands again, and to take as my motto for my spiritual life: Not a word.

"CEASE, BELOVED, FROM YOURSELF; from your own things and works. Let the Holy Ghost have play. Get still from restless activity, and give Him a chance to speak and to do.

"Not a word. Witness in love. Just a word for Jesus. 'Ye are my witnesses.' But that is not all.

"SURRENDER SELF TO HIM. Let your conquered spirit keep quiet. Let

your lips be closed, your tongue be tied, your voice be hushed, your look be love. Let Him control, and a sound of gentle stillness will permeate your being, spreading the sweet aroma of peace and delight upon all around.

"AND WHILE YOUR HEART IS HUSHED and your mouth closed—in the sweet, small voice, like the dew of the morning, the gentle light of sunshine, or the sweet breeze of eventide, you will be quickly blessed by hearing Him in the hush of His presence and the joy of His delight, and you will be so glad that you uttered—not a word! only as a WITNESS FOR HIM."

#### Humility

"Humility is perfect quietness of heart. It is to have no trouble.

"It is never to be fretted, or vexed, or irritated, or sore, or disappointed.

"It is to expect nothing, to wonder at nothing that is done to me, to feel nothing done against me. It is to be at rest when nobody praises me, and when I am blamed or despised. It is to have a blessed home in the Lord, where I can go in and shut the door, and kneel to my Father in secret, and am at peace as in a deep sea of calmness, and when all around and above is trouble.—A. M.

"Learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest to your souls," Matt. 11:29.

"Be clothed in humility," 1 Peter 5:5."

#### RADIO BROADCASTS

We will be glad to publish your broadcasts if you will send them in to us.

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WATL, 1370 KC, Atlanta, Ga. Church of God, 4:00-4:30 p. m., each Sunday. W. T. Nelson, pastor.

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KADA, Ada, Okla., Feb. 16, 10:00 a. m. E. T. Custer, pastor.

WSOC, Charlotte, N. C. Each Saturday, 8:30-9:00 a. m. Charlotte and Belmont, N. C. Churches of God, W. M. Stallings and A. V. Childers, pastors.

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## The PERRY-SCOPE

Treasures—New and old From Far and Near

Conducted by SAM C. PERRY, 52 N. W. 35th St., Miami, Fla.

### Consent Thou Not!

All outward sin begins first with an inward consent. It is impossible to grieve God or man until there has been the cherished consent. Satan may work long and hard, but he wins out the moment the will consents, though the overt act may not be consummated for months or years, or never. Nevertheless, Satan sits back and looks on with fiendish delight to see the soul, little by little, prepare the way for a final surrender.

The temptation or solicitation is first presented to the mind or intelligence. The intelligence looks at it for a moment, then passes it over to the reason. Here begins a royal debate, pro and con, generally at first in favor of right. But now comes the crucial decision when the will, the executive of man, finally assumes control and either sets aside or endorses all that reason has hitherto argued. Now angels and devils must look on with bated breath to see the deliverance or downfall of a soul.

A very godly evangelist came a long distance to have us pray for him, declaring he was backslidden in heart. I could not at first believe it. He related that he had committed no sin. Nevertheless, where he was entertained one night he heard a gentle knock on his door, but declined to open to the pretty creature outside; hence she departed for the time being. Later he heard the knock again and once more resisted and did not open. But, the sad thing was when, after consideration, he inwardly consented in his mind to open if the knock came the third time. God in mercy did not permit it, but guilt was incurred just the same—for reason had been silenced and set aside and now the will had finally consented to evil. God sometimes seems to leave us, as in Hezekiah's case, "that he may try us and know all that is in our hearts."

Oh, what a place the judgment will be when sinners will be condemned, not only for actions committed, but for desires entertained! On the other hand, saints will be rewarded, not only for good deeds, but for benevolent intentions (unperformed for lack of ability or opportunity).

The "age of consent" frequently figures in court proceedings. When in South Africa two years ago we saw a colored man in chains because he had assaulted one of the fine (black) school-teachers. How indignant we all felt toward this creature! He came clear in court when it was proven that the teach-

er had not positively resisted, but on the other hand half way consented. O brother, your great Advocate, Jesus Christ Himself, cannot clear you though He longs to do so, if, when your case is called, it can be proven that you inwardly consented to Satan's proposition. It is worse to sin against God and nobody know it, than to sin against others and everybody know it.

Now what is the proper thing to do? Nip every suggestion in the bud, and "If sinners entice thee, *consent thou not!*" Blessed be God. You may be so pure in heart that, like your adorable Lord, you can say, "The prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me."—E. E. Shelhammer.

The will of God is the one law for all

### EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

*I shall be glad to answer all calls for meetings, as the Lord shall enable. Write my home address.*

—Sam C. Perry

who would please the Lord. "For whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother." Mark 3:35.

It was estimated that in 1936 sixty thousand churches in this country did not have a single convert. And nine thousand closed their doors altogether. Other similar stories could be related. What is the matter?

Jesus said to the infant church, "But tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high," Luke 24:49. Neglect of this command (which extends to all believers, Acts 2:39) is sufficient reason for such a condition. It was a church endued with the power of the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven that God designed to use in evangelizing the world, Acts 1:8.

If we could have one great funeral and bury all the selfs in the church, permanent peace and harmony would be assured ever afterward. Mr. Self and his kindred have done more to hinder the progress of the kingdom of God than most any other class. He has brought about more "church splits" than a few, and when he is in power the Prince of Peace is driven out. Self has no place in the work of the Kingdom.—Sel.

The Scriptures give four names to Christians:

Saints, for their holiness; Believers, for their faith; Brethren, for their love; Disciples, for their knowledge.—A. Fuller.

Faithful prayer always implies correlative exertion. No man can ask, honestly and hopefully, to be delivered from temptation unless he has honestly and firmly determined to do the best he can to keep out of it.—John Ruskin.

### When the Baby Cried

For many years a certain man lived a life of pronounced infidelity in the city of Edinburgh. He always did his best to hinder the efforts put forth by Christian workers for the salvation of souls. One day Mr. Geo. Muller came to the city and the auditorium was packed to overflowing. This infidel longing to hear the man of God, by sheer physical strength and inspired curiosity, pressed his way into the hall. Just when the preacher began to deliver his message a baby began to cry very loudly. The mother attempted to leave the building but the crowd was too great. Mr. Muller at once came to the troubled mother's help by saying, "Will that dear mother sit down, and we will ask Jesus to put the baby to sleep." The mother quietly took her seat and Mr. Muller prayed, "Blessed Lord Jesus Christ, be pleased to put this baby to sleep." The infidel was startled beyond measure and said to himself, "If that man has a God like that, it is time for me to seek Him." He became a true Christian and God made great use of him in winning souls to Christ.—Sel.

### The Free Salvation

Salvation is a free gift to all who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. "The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord," Rom. 6:23. Yet to accept Jesus Christ and enjoy His fulness costs all. "Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ," Phil. 3:8.

Procrastination is the hole through which all the inspiration and enthusiasm of the Church may leak.

When Napoleon was about to lose a great battle, he looked at his drummer boy and said, "Son, beat a retreat and let the men fall back." The drummer boy replied, "Sir, I can't beat a retreat, but I can beat a charge that will wake up the dead." "Beat it then," cried the general. He did, and it put new life into the army which threw itself against the enemy and won the day.



## News From the Mission Field

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," Mark 16:15.

### Letter From Africa

In care of J. E. Bodaly,  
Andulo, Bie, Angola,  
Portuguese, West Africa,  
Via Antwerp & Lobito  
Dec. 18, 1938

Dear ones in the homeland, greetings in Jesus our Lord and soon coming King!

"Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days," Eccl. 11:1.

Last Friday I was asked to go along with some of the lady missionaries of this mission station to visit some of the native villages some distance from here. Indeed I was glad to go. I only longed to be able to speak with the native women in their own language but we must be patient. The Lord is wonderfully helping us in the language study.

We left early as the women of these villages always go early to their farms at this time of the year. Word had been sent on a day or so before that we would be there and so we found many of the women waiting for us. Mr. Bodaly (a missionary friend out here) took us in the car to the central village of this section we were visiting this day, and so were able to make a trip in a few minutes which would have taken at least two hours by foot. But this was as far as the car could go; the rest of the way we went on foot. We were four ladies, so two went across a river and visited four villages in that direction having services in each village and I went with our little Portuguese sister, Edith, to other villages.

Edith is a dear Christian and loves the Lord's work. She is seventeen but all for the Lord. We went first to the capital village which was a very large village. We were greeted by half-clad natives and the children with only a wee rag about their waist and anything but clean. But we had not come to see this, we had come to give them the "Bread of Life" for which they had long waited. We went on into the village. As we passed along we did not see any beautiful buildings and parks here. No, instead we saw small mud huts with grass roofs which were not far from each other and a high fence, made of logs, about three to six inches across and seven or eight feet high, which surrounded the quarters of each family and their relations. The place for a gate was only a very narrow passageway which often caused one to turn sideways to get through. We passed on and came to

a wee shed or some sort of a house setting about four feet from the ground on four posts. This was the place for the idols of this part of the village. We dare not touch them, and, taking second thought, we did not want to touch them as they were covered with filth.

We hurried as we had far to go. We made our way through this village and went to every hut where we found anyone at home. We saw women working with a white root vegetable called "mandioc." This had been soaking in some near-by pool of water for a week or so and now had been brought to the village to be prepared for food. I was glad not to be invited for dinner that day. We passed on to other huts. Here we saw a woman who was ill and without the Lord. How we longed to be able to witness to her in her own language. But in this case we could only ask the Lord to help her. We passed on, finding pigs, chickens, goats, etc., everywhere in the village, and everything that goes with such. But we scarcely noticed these things as we found many people in the village, and waiting for us. As we passed along from house to house we invited to the Onjanga (the large open space in the center of the village) where we held the service. There was no church building of any kind in this town nor in the other three we visited that morning. There was no hall we could rent so we sat in the sun which was hot as only this tropical sun can get. To be sure we were glad for our helmets (which is the hat we wear out here). The natives did not seem to mind the sun so much. By the time we reached the Onjanga we had a good crowd waiting there for us. We sang a gospel song in their language (yes, I helped in this). By the time we were through the first hymn our crowd had increased. Miss Edith Salvidor, who was with me, read from the third chapter of John and gave them a precious little talk. The people sat very still which is very hard for them to do. I counted one hundred fifty sitting here listening to the Word of God. Some were sitting on sticks of wood, others were fortunate enough to have a wee little stool made by some chief in the village, but most of them sat on the ground and there was no grass there either. It would have done your heart good to hear them sing, "What can wash away my sins? Nothing but the blood of Jesus" in their own language. These heathen men and women who had gathered for this service did not know the song but some Christian women had come along with us

from another village and they were able to help in the singing. We must hasten on to the other villages which we must visit this morning. We would like to be able to stay on longer but others wait for this same message of life. We may be able to visit this village again; we hope so.

As we walk along the narrow jungle trail to the next village we see many of the people following from the capital village. This village is not so large as the capital village but over one hundred people gather to listen to the Word of Life after we have walked all through the village and invited everyone out to service. To be sure everyone did not come and, too, by now it is getting late and not so many are to be found in the village though some wait for us, the missionaries with "good news." How I did long for a kodak to take some pictures. We have one but I did not have it with me as we do not have films at present. In this village there was an old man who listened very attentively and in the midst of the message interrupted several times to say, "The Word of God is good" and the expression on his face seemed to tell more than words. Pray that the Lord will not only save this man but many others we were privileged to witness to this morning.

As we went on to the third and fourth village we saw some of the same people still following us from one to the other. As we went from house to house inviting the people out to service in the center of the town we found only a dirty little hut of one room and a smoldering fire, perhaps where they would cook a bit of mandioc mush or something for a wee bite to eat before leaving for their farms. This we found as we passed from house to house. We say, "Oh, what a shame, these poor people, with no bed, stove, nor anything of comforts in their homes." Yes, this is not so pleasant to think about and therefore let's think of the other side of it. The saddest part of it all is they have no hope in the eternal home. Pray with us that the Lord will reach these hearts with the words they heard from the Bible that morning. Yes, "Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days." We were not able to know the thoughts of their hearts and as none expressed it outwardly we must leave it with Jesus.

From this fourth village we went on to the village some distance away where there are many Christians who have gathered here from various villages as they have come to know the Lord and built their hut near the Christians. After resting a little a ram's horn was sounded in place of a bell which called the Christians of this village to a church building which had been built by these natives themselves, of tall reeds tied

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## BIBLE SCHOOL ECHOES

"Study to show thyself approved unto God," 2 Tim. 2:15.

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## Friday Evening Service, Jan. 27

Surely the angels must have looked from the portals of heaven and rejoiced with us because of the redemptive work wrought in the lives of some of the students. The student revival was a success and the messages delivered by Brother F. R. Harrowood were very effective and soul-stirring. Six students were graciously baptized with that greater baptism, the Holy Ghost, and we feel sure that the visible results do not determine the good accomplished.

After a series of such wonderful services the following Friday afternoon program was one inspired with the presence of the Holy Ghost. Brother James Pitts emphasized the need of our keeping a song in our hearts regardless of the disappointments that come our way. He directed us to the Lord as the giver of songs of gladness as he discussed "The Song in the Night."

"Soldiers For God" was the subject presented by Brother Wesley Wilson. The victory is to those who will continually engage in this great warfare despite the fierce attacks of the enemy.

Encouraging us to constancy in our race homeward was the message of Sister Eleanor Diffenderfer on "Steadfastness." The Christian's course is fixed and only will we reach the home base by our persistence in running. The goal was described in song as the Ladies Quartet sang "Heaven Will Be My Home."

An account of the compassionate

service of "Our Master" was given by Sister Dora Frances Campbell. Jesus is the same today; His arms of tenderness are outstretched and His blessings are unlimited. The necessity of zeal in the promotion of the Lord's work was stressed as Sister Muriel Fowler spoke on "Spiritual Fervency." If our efforts are fired with eagerness surely we will achieve something worthwhile for God and His cause. By incessantly laboring for Him we will enjoy the bliss of that blessed "Somewhere" of which the Melody Boys sang.

The service culminated with an instructive message by Brother E. E. Winters on "The Secrets of a Great Life." After listening to his explanation of the elements that constitute a life of distinction for God, we resolved in our hearts to attain those qualities that produce that eminent life.—Edith Brous, reporter.

## My Experience With the Lord and What Bible School Has Meant to Me

I have been impressed for some time to relate my experience with the Lord. I was a college graduate and a school-teacher, without Christ. In the year of thirty-six, one Sunday afternoon, I listened to a mission program over a radio. The pastor announced a revival and invited the public to attend. I didn't know where it was, but with the help of the Lord I found it. When I arrived at the mission it was about five o'clock. They just had young folks meeting. At church time the first thing they did was to go up to the front to pray. I was not accustomed to that, being in the Baptist church. After the song service a testimony meeting was held. I never saw such power before and thought I would like to have it too.

I didn't understand about the people speaking in tongues. I thought it was peculiar that when messages were given the pastor had to interpret it. That night God fixed me. A man gave a message and interpreted it. This was the interpretation: "Repent, repent now, for it may be too late." This message was to me, for I began crying. The more I tried to stop the tears, the more I cried. I thought I had come to hear a sermon and not to cry. The altar call was made and I was the first one there. I thought I was going to get the Holy Ghost but got saved. Thanks be unto God for the invention of the radio that helped me to find Christ. Five months later I received the Holy Ghost and came into the Church of God.

The Bible School has been a great asset to me. The Lord led me here and I have never been sorry of it. It is the most spiritual place I have ever attended in the line of school. The atmosphere is heavenly and I admire it. I owe over one

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# ★ YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT ★

## God's Love

Deeper than the streams that flow,  
Stronger than the winds that blow,  
Sweeter than the buds that grow,  
God's love.

Higher than the waves at sea,  
Lower than the boggy lea,  
Greater than the mountains be,  
His love.

Softer than a mother's touch  
Is the hand we feel so much  
Drawing us within that clutch,  
God's love.

Purer than the tongues of men,  
And an angel's scribing pen  
Can't describe what lies within  
Such love.

Man can feel it in his heart  
But he is too frail to start,  
All could only tell a part  
Of love.

Once a great fire lost its heat  
When it touched the Hebrew's feet,  
Ah, there's not a foe can meet  
God's love.

When they face the heart made right  
Famine takes a mighty flight,  
Giants lose their power to fight,  
With love.

Mighty bulwarks tumble o'er,  
Stone walls fall to rise no more  
As God's children loud implore  
His love.

And the raging lion's den  
Is a refuge for God's men  
If he is but anchored in  
This love.

Refuge, Providence and power,  
Grace to keep me every hour,  
All I need within that tower,  
God's love.

—Laura Adrene Sanders.

## Love Had Borne Her Aloft

It was the morning of a festival. At an early hour the villagers had assembled on the green. Above them the peaks of the Alps towered in majestic grandeur. The happy children were sporting in groups, when a loud scream arrested the attention of all. A mountain eagle had swooped unperceived, and, to the horror of the bystanders, rose with a child struggling in its talons.

In the terror and confusion, it was sometime before it was known who it was, and a deep groan burst from the

crowd when it was found that it was a beautiful child—the sole comfort of a widow. "My child! my darling child!" she cried, as, wringing her hands in agony, with streaming eyes, she watched the flight of the powerful bird, while the pastor vainly tried to comfort her.

Several mountaineers instantly sprang to the cliffs, and all eyes followed them as slower and slower they ascended. At length, as the eagle disappeared beyond the abrupt precipice, they were seen to pause, and all but two gave up the attempt. At last, as rocks towered above rocks, these gave up the desperate pursuit, and a groan from the beholders told that all hope was over.

With her face blanched by despair, her gaze riveted upon the precipice, the mother had stood motionless until now; but when she saw the pursuers falter, with a cry of agony, she sprang up the almost perpendicular ascent. Upward, still upward, she held her perilous way, until she gained the point which seemed to defy further progress, and there the cliffs rose high and bold before her; but where effort failed in others, she, impelled by love, nerved every power, and pausing not at danger, her bare and tender feet caught upon the lichens, and upward she pressed, to the admiration and terror of the beholders. Once, and once only, she paused to glance below. When midway to the summit, what a startling, beautiful view greeted her eyes! Far down the winding valley was a dense mass of human beings. Not one was standing, not a head was covered, but sire and youth and child were kneeling in fervent supplication, while from the village the tolling bell met her ear, calling on the neighboring inhabitants to rally. At length she gained the summit, and to her speechless joy she beheld her child still alive in the nest. On rapid wing the eagle was wheeling and circling above her. To grasp the child, clasp it to her bosom, and bind it to her with her shawl was the work of a moment.

Commending herself to the loving Father, she turned to descend. Fearful had been the ascent, but more fearfully perilous seemed the descent. On reaching the difficult spot, with a dizzy brain and sinking heart, she paused, clasping her child to her bosom with a shudder. At that moment, her ear caught the faint bleat of a goat, guiding its kid down another way. With unspeakable gratitude to God, she crossed over to descend by that before-unknown path, and she heard the distant shouts of joy from the villagers below. Soon, strong

arms were by her side, and she was safe with her child.

Love had borne her aloft where Alpine climbers could not go. Yet we are told the love Divine goes far beyond. "As the heavens are higher than the earth so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa. 55:9). "Can a woman forget her suckling child\*? Yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee" (Isa. 49:15).

The distinguishing mark of a Christian is that he believes that God so loves him, while others do not. "We have known and believed the love that God hath to us" (1 John 4:16). The unsaved one thinks of God as an austere Being, inexorable, marking down his faults and failures with grim anticipation of the day of judgment. He knows, perhaps, that the Bible speaks of God's love, and he would not think of disputing it, but in his heart he does not believe it.

Do you believe that God loves you more than any mother ever loved her child? Ask your heart if you believe these declarations of His love:

"God is love. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him" (1 John 4:9). "The Son of God, \*loved me, and gave Himself for me" (Gal. 2:20). "Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us" (1 John 3:16). Remember, there are only two classes. Which are you—a believer, or an unbeliever?

A mother's love took her beyond the highest point reached by Alpine climbers, with all their strength and skill. In like manner, the Lord Jesus has accomplished that which no one else in all the universe could do, and finished the work of redemption to the perfect satisfaction and glory of God. In the joyful anticipation of having a redeemed people with Him, He "gave Himself for us" (Titus 2:14). "Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the Cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Heb. 12:2).

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31).—*Adapted, in Scattered Seed.*

The church that has no missionary spirit has no Christ, no message, no field, no love, and should make no claim to be religious with such a poor background.



## ★ Boys and Girls ★

### If We Are Little Soldiers

Dear Boys and Girls:

How many of us are doing our very best as little soldiers for God? Now, think real hard! Yes, all we can think of is something good we have done. We haven't told any stories, stolen any marbles, made anyone cry or made mother unhappy, and we haven't even quarrelled with little brother or little sister. Now, that's just fine, soldiers. But what *have* we done?

Let's name a few of the things we have done today. Well, we have taken some flowers to a little sick girl, obeyed mother, done a good deed for one or two of our playmates, cheered a little boy who was sad, spoken kind words to everyone and told lots of little girls and boys about Jesus. And, oh yes, we've read our Bible lots, too.

Let me tell you, little soldiers, if we will do our best for Jesus, He won't pass us up, but will help us with all of His love and kindness to grow into big soldiers for Him.—Flora Gene Golden, Shooting Creek, N. C.

### Little Folks Don't Be Ashamed

It seems almost like yesterday when my little playmates, sister and I would get together and have church in an old barn in a vacant lot near the Pentecostal church.

We would sing, one would preach, then we would pray. Of course, we were having lots of fun. We would shout too. We always ended our meeting in prayer.

One day after we had gone through what we called "church" we had prayer as usual. Everyone had finished praying and gotten to their feet except one little girl who just kept on praying and praying as if she never would get through. Her long black hair, which was tied in the back with a white bow of ribbon, just kept going up and down, up and down; her face was as white as snow. She looked like an angel. Everyone stood speechless, wondering what had happened to her. Of course, it was God. He really blessed her that day. I can see her now (she was about nine years old) as she tried to get to her feet.

Years passed on, but I never forgot that little prayer meeting (of course I didn't understand as I was only five years of age). Thank God, I understand now as God has given us both this precious Holy Ghost.

So little folks, don't be ashamed of God among your little playmates, for

some day He may save them long after you have forgotten them.—Madge Shelton, Rt. 3, Box 280, Osceola, Ark.

### Find the Answers

1. What man ate honey out of a lion's carcass? Judges 14:5-10.
2. What man tied three hundred foxes' tails together? Judges 15:3-5.
3. What man said, "Out of the belly of hell cried I"? Jonah 2:1, 2.
4. How long was he there? Jonah 1:12-17.
5. What man's body did the worms eat because of his cruelty? Acts 12:20-23.
6. Who killed a giant with a small stone? 1 Sam. 17:40-50.
7. Who commanded the sun to stand still? Joshua 10:12-15.

Sent in by Carl Pugh, Arkadelphia, Alabama.

### Servants of God

I have thought of working and doing something for God for a long time. Of course we all know that we can't repay God for what He has done for us. As for me I desire to do something for Him, but I haven't done for God as I should. We feel that Jesus is coming soon and we should do something for God.

A few nights ago I heard a young evangelist preach, and she told in her message of a little girl who had wanted to do something for God. She knelt on her knees in prayer and said, "O Lord, I know I can't sing and pray to the glory of God like others, but help me to do something that would lift some soul up to Christ." The little girl got up, got a little tract which she had, rolled it up and put it in a bottle with a cork in it. She walked down to the edge of the river and prayed again, "O Lord, before I throw this battle which contains this tract in the river, I ask that you help it, Lord, to float out and be found by some lost soul that he or she may find God." The little girl threw the bottle out into the river and went back to the house. Later an old man sailed out in a little boat in order to drown himself. He was very discouraged with life. He had sailed out just a little way in the river when this little bottle floated up. He took the bottle, pulled the cork out, took the tract out, and read it. He looked up and said, "O Lord, I've found from this little tract that all I need is a Savior. Now I shall not drown myself. I'll go back and find Jesus."

If we are young or old, let's work for God while we have a chance and surely

He'll reward us for it. Praise the Lord. By His help we all want to work for Him, don't we? Pray for me and for the church work at Lakeland.—Sister Marjorie Sumner, 820 N. Ohio, Lakeland, Fla.

### Heart Lifted Four Inches

In 1937 I went to the camp meeting and was sick all the time I was there. I did not attend very many services.

I came home Aug. 1 and took my bed Aug. 13. It seemed like a weight pulling or pushing on my heart. My daughter took me to a doctor and had a radio machine to measure my body. An abscess was found on my spleen. It had my heart pressed down about three to five inches. When I raised up in bed someone had to rub the spot on my shoulder blade. The spot showed that it was coming to a head outwardly, but it did not; it broke and drained inwardly down through my kidneys. I got where I could be up and around the house but the heavy weight still pulled down on my stomach.

When Brother Rouse came to Strawn, Tex. I went down there and he prayed for me and the Lord healed me. My heart feels normal again. I also had gall bladder stones and kidney stones but have not been bothered with them any more. Thank the good Lord for His goodness. I feel fine and am able to walk five blocks to church now. Before I was not able to walk half a block.

I went to the camp meeting this year (1938) and didn't miss any of the services, and even walked down to the creek with the sisters to grove services and had a wonderful time with the Lord. Thank the Lord for His mighty power. I am still very proud to be able to do my housework again. I still hope and pray that the Lord will stay with me and give me strength until He calls me home to be with Him.—Mrs. S. J. Atkins, Ranger, Tex.

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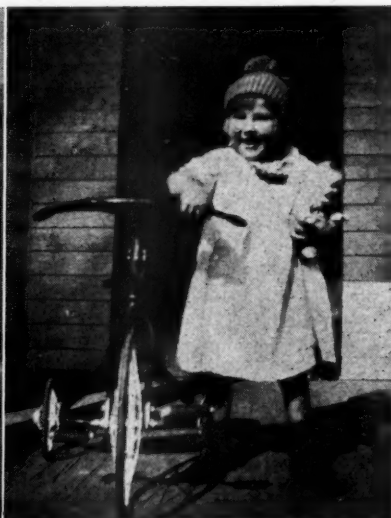
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On July 24, 1938, at Alabama City, Ala., at the tent meeting where Brother Linwood Slay, Jr., was conducting an old time, Pentecostal revival, Mrs. Mary Morgan brought this poor little girl, her daughter, Maxine, to the altar to be prayed for. Brother Slay asked me to lead the prayer and to anoint the ones coming for healing and I especially remember this pitiful sight. As we prayed for her the power of God was especially present, and while we were laying hands on the little thing the power was playing on those all around her and she began to laugh and seemed so happy. The mother exclaimed, "I believe God has healed my little girl." The power continued falling and several praised God for His divine presence, and truly faith had reached the throne of God for she was healed.

Now look again at the other picture. Here you see the same little girl, only this view is since God touched her little, weak body. Indeed, she is a living monument to divine healing. Praise God! I imagine I hear you say, Brother Walker, you don't mean it's the same little girl, or can I really believe my eyes? Yes, it is the same little girl. Here we give you the mother's statement in her own words from her letter, bearing date of October 6, 1938:

"I guess you remember the little girl you prayed for at Brother Linwood Slay's tent revival here in Alabama City, who had been sick for two years and five months. She was six years old and weighed only fifteen pounds. Well, Brother Walker, I just want to tell you and praise the Lord for He has really and truly healed her. She began to mend from that night on and now she weighs over thirty pounds and can pull up to a chair. Everyone in this town who saw her while she was sick is really amazed and says it's a miracle, and truly it is. Praise the Lord!"

In another letter I received from Sister Morgan January 18, 1939, I quote: "I am writing you again about my little girl you prayed for last summer at the tent. She is still doing fine and I am sending you one of her pictures before she was healed and one after."

Sister Morgan requests special prayer for the healing of her husband who has been sick of high blood pressure and has been in bed since last August. God is able to touch his body, and will, the moment we believe. Jesus said, "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them," Mark 11:24.

Dear ones, it is a glorious privilege that we have to trust God for the healing of our body. God is able to heal. We praise Him for this healing as well as the many thousands possibly we never learn about. God is still able to help us if we trust and lean on Him.—Yours in His service, J. H. Walker, General Overseer.



### PRAY FOR:

Me to receive the Holy Ghost; the Lord to guide me.—E. Parara, Nairne Castle, Jam., B. W. I.

That the Lord will bless me in my ministry; to stand true; Lord to bless me in my correspondence course.—Thomas Whitt Broome, R. F. D. 3, Jefferson, S. C.

My home to be a home of prayer; for my ungodly children; that my girl will be delivered of the drink habit.—Eva Headly, Queen St., Barbados, B. W. I.

My children to be healed of kidney trouble and rupture; lost loved ones.—Mrs. Alton Sims, Dunlap, Tenn.

Me to be healed of asthma and head trouble; children to stand true; unsaved children to be saved; unspoken request; our church here.—Mrs. C. W. Lynch, Rt. 3, Winder, Ga.

Special prayer for my boy, God knows about it. Anointed cloth appreciated.—G. Laddeawsaw, Maywood, Ind.

The healing of my body; closer walk with Jesus; mother to be healed; husband and loved ones.—Effie Pearson, Rt. 4, Box 215, Live Oak, Fla.

My husband, daughter and grandchild to be healed.—Mrs. J. A. Bob Douglas, Rt. 2, Box 115, Jellico, Tenn.

Healing of my mother and children's bodies; the healing of my afflicted body; loved ones to be saved; a closer walk with the Lord.—Mrs. C. L. Braswell, Clinton, S. C.

The healing of my body; a way to go to church. Encouraging letters appreciated.—Mrs. Bessie Cornelius, Rt. 6, Cullman, Ala.

To receive the Holy Ghost; to be healed of hard hearing. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Malcolm Moody, Rt. 1, Hamer, S. C.

The members at this place; the spiritual condition of our church; me to get closer to the Lord.—Bessie Jeffords.

The healing of my body; loved ones to be saved; us to do the Lord's will.—Mrs. Gaddis Johnson, Rt. 1, Magee, Miss.

My husband to be saved; me to be an overcomer. — Mrs. Edith Gray, Muir House Buxton, Alexandria P. O., B. W. I.

To receive the Holy Ghost; children to stand true; husband to be saved.—Mrs. Zenovia Brown, Muir House Buxton, Jam., B. W. I.

My husband to be healed; for me and my children.—Mrs. Rebecca Wisdom, Muir House Buxton, Jam., B. W. I.

Revival in Carlisle, Pa.—Sister Margaret Helman, 143 Cedar St., Carlisle, Pa.

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## REVIVALS

"O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years,"  
Hab. 3:2.

PINEVILLE, Ky.—I praise the Lord for the successful revival we have just closed here. Every service was enjoyed and the mighty power and demonstration of the Holy Ghost was in our midst. The revival was conducted by Evangelist Waldon Asher of Girdler, Ky. Every sermon was given out in much power; the saints were revived and the sick healed by the power of the Lord. There were ten converted and some filled with the Holy Ghost.

We also have a Sunday School which was organized at the close of the revival by Evangelist Asher and our good pastor, J. L. Guthrie. We love our pastor and want to do all we can for him and his good wife. We also appreciate the untiring efforts of Brother Asher to preach the Word and stand for the great Church of God. We hope he will come and preach for us again soon. Remember the little church here at Pineville when you pray and ask God to help us grow in the wisdom and knowledge of His work.—Wiley Stewart, clerk.

THOUSANDSTICKS, Ky.—We have just closed a good revival at Thousandsticks, Ky. in the Church of God with Brother Marion Hensley, pastor. It was said by many that it was the best meeting ever held there. The people came for miles in rain and snow, on mules and foot, had to wade in water every way they went as the roads were in the branches, but in spite of it all there were ten saved and six added to the church. Their good pastor surely stood by us.—B. H. Enix, district overseer, Hazard, Ky.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The Lord has been very good to us this year for which we praise Him. We have enjoyed the rich blessings of the Lord in many ways, but especially do we praise Him for the wonderful revival that has just closed. Many times we were made to rejoice as sinners would become burdened and weep their way through to victory. Their shouts of victory caused the glory of God to flood our souls. The effects of this revival are still lingering with us and we expect these results to last until Jesus comes. We shall never forget the wonderful messages delivered by our state overseer, Brother B. L. Hicks, who served as evangelist. The "break-through" came, sinners began to fill the altar, shouts were heard, testimonies were given, the revival was on. It continued seven weeks, growing bigger and better until a total of nineteen were saved, eleven sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost and eighteen added to the church, nine of

whom were men.

Brother Hicks could stay with us only two weeks because of state work, so he helped us secure Evangelist W. O. Singletary, who carried on very efficiently for five weeks, giving out the Word uncompromisingly. We were made to appreciate his help. We feel greatly encouraged as every department is moving on and reaching out for greater gain. Especially in our Y. P. E. department a deeper spirituality is felt as a result of a number of converts among the young people. For all these blessings we praise the Lord and we solicit your prayers for a continued success.—Pastor G. W. Lane, 316 Wenona St.

SHELBURN, Ind.—We have just closed a wonderful revival at Shelburn, Ind., with twenty-nine saved, nineteen sanctified, twenty-one filled with the Holy Ghost, and many looking toward the Church of God. Sister Brooks, our state evangelist, did the preaching. She is a wonderful evangelist. There were two cases of diphtheria, two of blood poison and one of rabbit disease healed that the doctors said were hopeless cases. One was also healed of pneumonia, and there were many other healings.

God is blessing at Shelburn and we are looking forward to a wonderful year.

Pray for us that God will continue to bless and have His way. We hope to have another revival here in the spring.—John Sharp, pastor.

UHRICHSVILLE, Ohio.—We praise the Lord for the church at Uhrichsville, Ohio. We are still on the firing line, with victory in our souls, still willing to sacrifice, fast and pray to see souls won into the kingdom of God, still upholding the blood-stained banner of our Lord and Master, praise His blessed name, and determined to fight the enemy to the last ditch and never retreat one inch.

We started a revival Sunday, January 1, and closed it Sunday, Jan. 22. Our evangelist was Brother Thad Puckett of Toledo, Ohio. The Lord was with us from the beginning to the ending of the revival, and we thank God for sending us Brother Puckett, for he is on fire for God. He preached inspiring messages each service under the unction and anointing power of the Holy Ghost. There was a shout in the camp each night. Hallelujah! The saints were uplifted and edified and came forth with a deeper determination to press on toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. There were ten saved, eleven sanctified, fifteen filled with the Holy Ghost, four added to the church and four baptized. We had our baptismal service when it was snowing and blowing. The weather was inclement

but the Lord was on the scene blessing each participant in a wonderful way. We had a welcome visit from our beloved state overseer, Brother E. C. Clark. We are proud of Brother Clark and the church enjoyed his message of the evening.

Pray that the Church of God at Uhrichsville may be a faithful branch bringing forth much good fruit.—Mrs. George Burton.

HARTWELL, W. Va.—We thank the Lord for a good Holy Ghost revival held by Brother J. W. Leslie of St. Charles, Va. The meeting began New Year's night and ran until the 28th of January. The Lord blessed wonderfully. Brother Leslie and other saints said this was their first time to see the power of God manifested in such a way. The Holy Ghost took charge of one sister and led her to a backslider. The backslider started to the altar but started shouting and praising God before she reached it. Eight were saved, four sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost, seventeen backsliders reclaimed, seventeen added to the church and twelve baptized in water. The meeting closed with others under deep conviction.

The Lord is still blessing. One received the Holy Ghost after the meeting closed. Truly, this report is something to praise God for. Pray for the new converts that they will go on and not turn back.

Brother Blackwell, our state Sunday School superintendent, visited us during the revival and everyone enjoyed his message and visit with the church.

Pray for our Y. P. E. and Sunday School. Remember to pray for our pastor, Brother Ova Combs, that God will bless him in his pastoral work this year and give him souls for his labor. Pray for me, I want to be a worker for Jesus and be ready when He comes or calls. I need your prayers. Pray for my brothers, mother and sisters, that they will be saved before it is too late.—Mrs. Helen Combs, clerk.

DEERFIELD, Va.—I am glad to report victory in my soul, also to report victory for the Church of God here. The church was in a run-down condition. We held on to God to send the one He wanted here for a meeting and He sent Brother R. L. Rexrode of Davis, W. Va. Now we had a wonderful revival. Sinners prayed through to the Lord; church members were reclaimed. Some of the members of the church said if Brother Rexrode had not come when he did they would have been lost. People who had not been to church came back, went to the altar and prayed through. There has been only a few to keep the church going but we held on to God and He has answered our prayers. The last night of

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## NOTICES

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evangelistic party.

April 1 we plan on being at Tolstoy for a special meeting. Remember, pastors of North and South Dakota, our slogan at least is "two revivals" in every church. Plan now for a revival at your church.—D. C. Boatwright, state overseer of North and South Dakota.

Special notice to everyone everywhere: The 1938-39 term of school of the Northwest Music and Bible Academy will close March 10 and all friends of the school are invited to attend the closing exercises.

At this time the Lemmon, S. Dak. district convention will convene—the 11, 12 (Saturday, Sunday) of March. We are expecting a great time. Many of the ministers and friends of the Church of God are planning to attend this special treat and we are extending to you a special invitation to attend all that time. Remember the date—March 10-12. Free entertainment will be provided for all visiting delegates. Plan now to come.—D. C. Boatwright, overseer of North and South Dakota.

The Illinois state convention of the Church of God will convene at the Church of God in Benton, Ill., April 20-23, 1939. First service Thursday, 7:00 p. m. Those attending will be furnished beds and breakfast free as far as possible. There will be a lunchstand on the ground and you will be expected to buy or provide all your eats except breakfast.

I trust each pastor will begin now in your church with a drive for a special offering, to bring with you to the convention for missions. Let us not pass this up too late to start on it, but start working from this time and you can have a nice offering for the foreign mission cause by state convention time.—J. R. Thomas, state overseer.

If any of the churches in Illinois failed to take your special offering Feb. 12 for the Bible School, please set a time for this and let us see that each church helps in this great work. Remember, the name of your church and the amount you give will appear in the Evangel.—J. R. Thomas, state overseer, Box 512, Eldorado, Ill.

There will be an all-day meeting at Douglasville, Ga. the first Sunday in April, the 2nd. We will be looking for you to be there. Come with the victory. Brother Harvey is pastor.

Say, don't forget that our district convention will convene at Carrollton, Ga. April 14-16. We want you to come be with us. We are looking for the Holy Ghost to be there, also the Father and the Son, so come. We are expecting

Brother Latimer to be with us. He has a special invitation. We give all a hearty welcome. Come on, Carrollton district, let's make this one of the best conventions in the state. I believe we can, don't you? Our state overseer, Brother J. C. Jernigan, will be in charge. Pray that we will stay in the will of the Lord.—J. F. Brown, district pastor, Carrollton, Ga.

The Northern states convention (colored) will convene Aug. 14-20, at Woodbury, N. J.—C. F. Bright, state overseer.

For quite a while I have felt impressed to fast and pray for the United States government and the American people as a whole, that God will promote true Christianity in our midst and guide those in authority in the right paths and protect us from those who seek our ruin. The Bible tells us to pray for such things and we are in great need of prayer along these lines today, for there is nothing too great for God to accomplish, if we pray as we should. I am planning to fast and pray the fourth Sunday in this month, Feb. 26, and would be glad if as many of the praying people who will will do likewise on that day.—B. C. Brown, Jesup, Ga.

To anyone who might be interested: I am not pastoring any church this assembly year and I am open for calls for revivals. I will highly appreciate your co-operation. Write me at the address given below.—George E. Bailey, Rt. 3, Johnson City, Tenn.

We are now engaged in a revival in Wauchula, Fla. with Brother and Sister P. W. Chesser in charge. Please help us pray for this revival.—The pastor, Roy Lee, Wauchula, Fla.

We are in a good revival in Nashville, Tenn., Brother W. S. Wilemon doing the preaching. Pray for this meeting.—Robert E. Blackwood, 522 Meridian St., Nashville, Tenn.

We, the Double Springs, Ala. district, are giving you an invitation to a fellowship meeting which will convene at the Church of God at Jones Chapel. Come bring a well-filled basket. This meeting will begin March 11, going through the 12th until 4:00 o'clock. There will be services Saturday at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p. m.; Sunday at 9:00 a. m. At 12:00 m. we will serve dinner on the ground. In the afternoon service we will have the Lord's Supper and feet washing. We are looking for a great day in the Lord. Remember we are expecting to see you there. All neighboring churches are invited to come and enjoy the blessings of the Lord.—G. W. Padgett, district pastor, Double Springs, Ala.

## OBITUARIES

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints," Ps. 116:15.

## FRANK

Sister Cordelia Frank, member of the Church of God, departed this life Dec. 31, 1938.—Viola Kimbrough, Jefferson City, Tenn.

## HEDGEPEETH

Little James Hedgepeth, member of the Church of God, was born Oct. 22, 1926, and died Jan. 21, 1939.—His sister-in-law, Eula Mae Hedgepeth, Boaz, Ala.

## WILSON

Little Phylis Ann Wilson died Jan. 30, 1939, age six months and twenty-four days.—Their pastor, A. L. Smith, Manns Choice, Pa.

## HICKMAN

B. C. Hickman, member of the Church of God, died Dec. 17, 1938; age fifty-one years.—His wife, Elizabeth Hickman, Kingsport, Tenn.

## SIMS

Sister Martha Sims, member of the Church of God, was born Jan. 23, 1885 and died Feb. 1, 1939.—Albert Teaster, pastor, Dunlap, Tenn.

## BRIDWELL

Lewis Bridwell, minister and Sunday School superintendent at Shelburn, Ind., died Jan. 26, 1939; age fifty-one years, five months and ten days.—R. J. Staats.

## LANE

Mrs. Annie Lane, better known as Aunt Sis, departed this life Feb. 1, 1939 at the age of seventy-four years, four months and twenty-five days. She was a devout child of God.—Mrs. J. C. Ham, Rt. 1, Collinsville, Ill.

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hundred dollars for my schooling, the Lord only knows how it will be paid. I stepped out on faith and am trusting God. School will close Feb. 15 and I hope I can come back next year.—Mae Wheeler of Oklahoma.

**Received Many Blessings in School**

I praise God for the Holy Ghost which I have received since I entered Bible School. The Lord has given us all many wonderful blessings while in school this term. Many other students have received the blessing.

Pray that we will stay in the will of the Lord and be able to withstand the temptations that will confront us after leaving Bible School.—Willie Ree Murphree, Birmingham, Alabama.

**A Word From Northwest Bible and Music Academy**

Dear Evangel readers, time had slipped into months so rapidly that the Northwest Bible and Music Academy was facing the close of school before anyone realized it was even near.

The wholehearted co-operation of everyone concerned in the school, together with the sweet Spirit of the Lord, has helped to make this a blessed year. We are very proud of our splendid Christian teachers who have labored so patiently and steadily in distributing to the students the good Bread of Life in unadulterated form and whose exemplary lives have been a real inspiration to the student body.

Christians can easily discern the fact, that twilight is about to drop her curtains on the Gentile day, and that the entire satanic family is working overtime to defeat the cause of Christ. With these facts in mind, can we, as Bible students of the Northwest, go to our home communities and settle down to a life of comfort and ease? No! by the help of God Almighty and a practical application of the simple truths of the gospel, we must give ourselves unreservedly to lost humanity and humbly pick up the holy standard of truth which has fallen low and has been trampled underfoot in many cases, lift its blood-stained picture high enough for sinners to view and take notice.

Since God has so graciously provided this humble Northwest Bible and Music Academy and has opened the way for young men and women to attend, surely He has a right to expect some results in our service, whether it be evangelistic work or just living a life for Christ in our own little corner. The Northwest covets your prayers that God will definitely lead and direct the lives of these soldiers of the cross during the remaining weeks of school, to know His will when

they leave Lemmon.

Within the coming two weeks the school's closing exercises, including baccalaureate, class night, and commencement will transpire. A more detailed account of these services will be submitted at a later date.—School correspondent, Ruby Thompson, Lemmon, S. Dak.

**Requests**

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Floyd Bland who has leakage of the heart; me to be healed of enlarged tonsils; my family to be saved.—Bernice Spencer, Clayton, N. Mex.

My children to be saved; mother to be healed of high blood pressure and neuritis; unspoken request; husband and mother to receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. E. E. Jenkins, Culberson, N. C.

My baby who is taking whooping cough; urgent unspoken request; me to get to go to church and to stand true.—Mrs. Luebell Pyron, Marvell, Ark.

My baby to be healed of risings in her head; me to get closer to the Lord and have more faith; provide my husband with work; get to a place where we can go to church; husband to get salvation; this community.—Mrs. Ethel Simpson, c/o E. N. Hector, Rt. 2, Abilene, Tex.

Lord to make a way for me and bless me; sister who is sick; our pastor's wife to be healed.—Lloyd L. Palmer, (colored), Seaford, Del.

My throat to be healed.—Mrs. Ethel Smith, 1409 Pine Ave., Anniston, Ala.

My daughter in a very serious condition caused from a car wreck.—Mrs. Anna White, Maud, Okla.

God to lead a friend and me; God's will to be done; my home.—Mrs. N. P. Chisamore, Mason, Tex.

God to completely heal my brother.—Mrs. Ralph Jackson, Bitely, Mich.

My father to be healed of fits.—Samuel Liles, R. F. D. 2, Buford, Ga.

My healing of something like rheumatism.—Mrs. Evelyn Bryson, Erastus, N. C.

Our son to completely surrender to God. His address is Evey J. Goodman, Co. 4411, C. C. C. Camps, Pinto Lake, Watsonville, Calif.—Evey R. Goodman and wife, Rt. 1, Coffeetown, Ala.

My sister-in-law to recover from serious operation; my children to be healed of a breaking out; me to get closer to the Lord.—Mrs. Flora Wycuff, Alabama City, Ala.

Me to be healed of a cancer. Anointed cloth appreciated, if you feel led. My children and loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. John T. Chandler, Lyman, S. C.

The healing of my body of kidney trouble. An anointed cloth will be appreciated. The Lord to save my husband; for my home.—Mrs. Chas. Lee, Plevna, Ala.

Brother J. J. Smith who is very ill.—J. C. Pinion, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

My body to be healed.—Virgil Hanger, 1512 S. Davis Ave., Elkins, W. Va.

The healing of my afflicted body. Letters or cards appreciated.—Mrs. G. C. Smith, Gen. Del., Switzer, W. Va.

To be an overcomer; unspoken request; a friend; loved ones.—Bessie Mae Austin, Rt. 3, Box 97, Albany, Ga.

My body to be healed of rheumatism.—Mrs. L. J. Alexander, Rt. 2, Calhoun City, Miss.

The Lord to deliver me of a terrible habit. Fast, if you feel led.—Fostena Husser, Rt. 1, c/o E. S. Rains, Folsom, La.

That I may get back to the Lord; my wife to be saved; home to become a happy one.—J. S. Bain, 110 W. 27th St., Chattanooga, Tenn.

God to heal us of something like the itch; to have His way in our home; husband to receive the blessing.—Mrs. Bertha Lee, Rt. 1, West Point, Tenn.

Me to be healed of smothering spells, also pains around heart, chest and sides. Anointed cloth and fasting appreciated, if led.—Mrs. S. E. Williams, Springton, W. Va.

My eyes to be healed, I am nearly blind. My husband and me to be healed of stomach and liver trouble; Mrs. Wade who is very low; for Turner and Betty Jones; God to save them. Fast, if you feel led. Tracts and Evangelists on healing will be appreciated.—Mrs. Joe Smith, Savage, Miss.

Me to be filled with the Holy Ghost.—E. Sharpe, Nairne Castle, Jam., B. W. I.

**REVIVALS**

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the meeting there were about twenty-two at the altar. My, what a revival we had! The Lord is still blessing.

Pray for us, we have had quite a struggle here. The meeting closed with some seeking a deeper experience. People came to church who had not been to church for several years. The whole community loves Brother Rexrode and all worked together. Pray much for us as we are without a pastor. Brother Rexrode is a real man of God. The Hammond brothers, also Brother Botkin were here to play and sing. They, too, were a blessing to our church. One of the Hammond brothers was saved in this meeting. Girls who had their hair bobbed are going to let it grow out. They surely will be a blessing here in Deerfield. Brother Rexrode is gone but the revival spirit is still here. Pray much for us as we try to carry on this great work for the Lord here.—Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Puffenberger.

Faith, even though she lives on earth, does business in heaven with God each day throughout the year.

**Standing Before the Congregation**

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before another congregation, define to yourself in simple, decisive terms, what you consider the purpose of your service, to what end your preaching and labor. Arrest yourself and compel your mind and heart to name just why you are in the Master's service, to what end. Be always honest before God and confess what your ambition and purpose is for the day. Survey your course, use the Bible compass and chart and see if your ministry and service is to the same end as Rom. 1:16 (salvation of souls). Should an angel from God meet and challenge you as you enter the pulpit, as to your mission there, could you without fear or dread, hesitancy or stammer reply, I am on an urgent errand for my Lord? I am here to preach His gospel to men, and pray them in Christ's stead to be reconciled to God, and by this I serve my Lord today.

**DO NOT**

Drone through the service, but steer. Too often preachers are out on the ocean sailing without any destination, out for anywhere and nowhere in particular, just whiling the hour away. Such services and such preaching reminds one of a vagrant, one who wanders from place to place with nothing worthwhile in view, when they should be possessed with the spirit of crusade. Every element of the service should work to one end. If you do not have sacred purposes in mind, irreverent things will arise and claim a portion of what should be sacred moments, such as cheap, jazzy songs, jestings, etc., for entertainment, causing the service to come to a close with the Holy Ghost grieved, the true saints sick and sinners untouched. But when you have done your best to prepare for the service, have sought God for a message and for an anointing to deliver it, then without fear or favor, without excuse or apology, boast or vanity, have delivered not only the message but your own soul, you may come to the benediction with fatigued body and tired mind, and even though midnight overtakes you before you sleep, and after others have closed their eyes in slumber, you will be made to rejoice as He who called and sent you, speaks from His throne to your heart saying, WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT.

**Be Thou An Example**

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against him nor fight him. Poor encouragement from a man who was supposed to be a leader of God's people, but God had already helped David kill a bear and a lion, so David took courage and put his trust in God, leaving those fearful ones behind. He said, "The Lord that delivered me out of the paw of the

lion and bear will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine."

There was King Saul and his mighty army filled with fear, maybe their knees smiting together, so to speak, but David knew that he was serving a God who was able to deliver His people from their enemies. As that great man Goliath came out to challenge them, David went forth to meet him. Notice how he went. He refused to use the king's armor because he had not proven it. The trouble with many people today, I fear, is they try to get by on someone else's experience or what they say is all right. David took with him the stones and sling and went by himself in the name of the Lord. That great Goliath came out to meet David well fixed up for battle, as far as equipment is concerned, but God had an example there and as they drew near to each other old Saul and his army, no doubt, were almost holding their breath, as little David said he would prove to them that there was still a God in Israel. About that time David got in a hurry and ran to meet him, he put his hand into his bag and drew out a stone and slung it at the great Goliath and down he went. The devil may look big or he may make a big bugaboo, but listen, God always has a spot uncovered that we can get a blow in that will win for us if we only go in the name of the Lord as David did.

Now their trouble-maker was gone. David had been an example and won the victory for them. Notice what happened. V. 52, "And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted." We notice in the altar services there is always a faithful few who will pray and do all they can to get the seeker through and when they get one through the ones who do like Saul and his army, look on or talk and laugh, will run up and do more shouting than the ones who did the work, and go away and say, "Didn't we have a good service. The Lord blessed me so much," etc., when they didn't do anything to bring about a shout. Is that an example? the kind that God wants? As they returned from the chase and looked over their spoil, no doubt, they said, "Look what we did," but it would not have happened had it not been for David. It is always the examples that win the victory and we need more of them in our churches, then we would see the results.

**NAOMI**

Ruth 1:16, "Intreat me not to leave thee." Ruth saw something about Naomi that was good. If we only had more mothers in Israel (the Church) like that I am sure our young people would have better examples to follow. Read Ruth 1:16, 17 and see the decision Ruth made because of the good life that Naomi lived. Matt. 5:16, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your

good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

**RUTH**

Ruth 2:3, "And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers." She was an example by showing such a good spirit, willing to take what the rest left. ("Gleaning" means gathering little by little, piece by piece.) So many want the big job at the front. Let someone else do these little things; big I's and little U's. Notice v. 16, "And let fall also some of the handfuls on purpose for her." If we are willing to suffer hardships for God and His cause He will drop a blessing in our path to encourage us, but do what He wants us to do, not try to do the other fellow's job.

**ACTS 5:29**

"Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men," after they had been beaten and punished in many ways. V. 41 says they rejoiced because they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name. So it is with us today, many people try to stop services, cottage prayer meetings, etc., because of the noise; they say close the services at an early hour; don't pray so loud when you pray for the sick in the homes, you wake up the people and make them nervous. Bless God, I think some people need to be waked up and troubled so they can't sleep. Many would get good old time salvation and enjoy the noise. I fear there is a man-fearing spirit getting hold of many Church of God people which causes them to quiet down and cool off. I notice when there is plenty of noise, shouting and the services run to a late hour at night, the devil gets mad, the church house fills up and the preacher has something to preach to beside a number of empty benches, but as long as the services close out at 8:30 or 9:00 and no shouting, no noise, etc., there is nothing said about that from the devil's crowd, and many of the church folks like that kind these days; but we need to be examples. The noise and shouting goes with God's people, it always has and let's keep it up. This is no time to let down here and there. In Matt. 28:19, 20 He said go teach the people. In Matt. 10:7 He said preach, heal the sick, cleanse the leper, cast out devils, and raise the dead. I believe where this is carried on it will cause plenty of noise and shouting, but He said to be an example.

When we think of the old saints, those who have had the victory for a long, long time and hear them tell how God would bless them in years gone by, how His power and presence would fill and thrill them, we notice that many of them today have gotten away from



those good times, and see how far apart the shouts are, see how little they love the house of God and His cause. Psa. 65:4, "We shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house." Psa. 122:1, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." It seems that the devil has succeeded in stealing away that love for the house of God from many and we find them in a cold and indifferent state. But is that an example? Many times and in many places the pastor will work and pray and try to show his flock the need of being loyal on every line and they will act as much as to say, I have a head and I will butt as I please and it is none of your business, but just announce that a new preacher is coming, especially the state overseer and they will flock out and get a front seat and testify as big as any of the rest, then when that is over back home they go, maybe not to be seen in the services again for a month or two. Remember he said, "Be thou an example."

## PAUL

That great New Testament writer, the apostle to the Gentiles, we think of many places where he was an example, the hardships he suffered, the times he was beaten, but he bore it all to be an example.

After he had toiled his life away we find him at the end of the way still with the victory for he writes his beloved pal, Timothy, and tells him, "For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith," 2 Tim. 4:6, 7. Then he tells about the crown awaiting him, etc. Remember the subject and text, "Be thou an example."

## Obituaries

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## ALLEN

Sister Elzora Allen, wife of Lewis Allen, member of the Church of God at Isaban, W. Va., died Jan. 30, 1939.—H. H. Tygart, Vulcan, W. Va.

## WISHON

Mrs. I. S. Wishon, devoted saint and member of the Church of God at Etowah, Tenn., died Dec. 28, 1938; age sixty-eight years.—Ima Barton.

## BERGMAN

Cawood Marion Bergman, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Cawood Bergman, died Jan. 31, 1939.—T. M. Basham, pastor, Harlan, Ky.

## VAUGHN

Z. V. Vaughn, member of the Church of God, died Jan. 8, 1939.—His wife,

Mrs. Z. V. Vaughn, 825 Zigzag St., Columbia, S. C.

## WATTS

Little Lillian Faye Watts died Jan. 21 1939; age four years, two months and two days. Pray that we won't fail to meet her. — Heartbroken father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. James Watts, Hazard, Ky.

## LOPEZ

Death claimed our dear father, Gregorio Lopez; age eighty-four years and six months. He was saved. Then on Sept. 11, 1938 He claimed our dear mother; age eighty-two years. She also served the Lord.—Their daughter, Ida May (Lopez) Hadsok, Florida.

## HUFFSTUTLER

Little David Ray Huffstutler, baby son of Brother and Sister J. L. Huffstutler, died Feb. 3, 1939; age one year and eight months.—E. L. Newton, Dade City, Fla.

## Missions

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close together, making the sides of the building, and grass for the roof. The benches were slabs of wood laid across some logs. The floor was of earth beaten down hard. The other lady missionaries had returned to this village also and we all went together to the church. Here over one hundred people gathered again to listen to the Word. I was to be the speaker at this service and after singing a few hymns in their own native language and having prayer by one of the Christian men present, I brought the message by the help of the Lord and Mrs. Bodaly, who was along, interpreted for me. I spoke from 2 Cor. 2: 14-17. The Lord blessed His Word and hearts seemed touched. It is not always our privilege to know what His Word is or has accomplished but we know Jesus always knows and cares.

At the close of the service I was told that one old lady past middle age had walked about a six hours' journey that morning that she might be here at this service. She was a Christian, and to me it told she loved the Lord greatly to come that distance just to be in one service. Oh yes, some may say, I have hitchhiked farther than that to be in one service. Perhaps you have, but this dear old lady could not "hitch-hike," it was all hiking on her bare feet. Don't say, "Poor woman!" She is not poor. Oh yes, she may be poor as far as this world's goods are concerned, but I know she must be rich in the grace and love of God. Pray that there may be many more like her.

We had lunch late, which we had

brought along with us, and then another service in the afternoon. After this we walked from house to house and visited every home before returning to the mission station. We were very tired, needless to say, after so much walking in the hot sun, but happy, and we long for the day to come when we will have permission of the government to do more. God is working and He answers prayer.

We shall be glad to hear from any who may care to write us, and shall do our best to answer you. We trust you will take this work on your hearts, not because we are here, but because it is the Lord's work and He died to save these souls. We long to see more saved and filled with the Holy Spirit before Jesus comes.—Yours in His glad service, Mrs. Edmond Stark.

The strength of every Christian is faith grounded in divine love.

## State Convention and Camp Meeting Dates

Arizona State District Meeting—March 10-12.  
California-Nevada—March 24-26  
Washington-Oregon—April 7-9  
Montana—April 13-16  
Illinois—April 20-23  
South Carolina—April 27-30  
Indiana—May 4-7  
Maryland-D. C.-Delaware- E. Virginia—May 11-14  
Iowa—May 26-28  
Annual Gen. Assembly (colored), Jacksonville, Fla.—May 22-28  
Florida Camp Meeting—June 1-10  
Florida State Convention—June 2-3  
Pennsylvania—June 9-11  
Ohio—June 15-18  
North Carolina—June 15-18  
Michigan Camp Meeting—June 18-25  
Michigan State Convention—June 23-25  
Virginia—June 23-25  
Great Northwest Camp Meeting—June 26-July 4  
Kansas—June 29-July 2  
Northwest Convention—July 1-4  
New Mexico-Colorado-Utah—July 7-9  
Missouri—July 7-9  
Oklahoma—July 14-16  
Mississippi—July 14-16  
Arkansas—July 21-23  
West Virginia—July 21-23  
Kentucky—July 28-30  
Texas Camp Meeting—July 31-Aug. 6  
Texas State Convention—August 4-6  
Alabama Camp Meeting—July 31-Aug. 6  
Alabama State Convention—Aug. 4-6  
Maryland (Eastern Shore) Camp Meeting, August 4-14  
Georgia—August 10-13  
Iowa Camp Meeting—August 15-25  
Tennessee—July 27-30  
Louisiana—August 24-27  
Maine—September 14-17 or Aug. 17-20

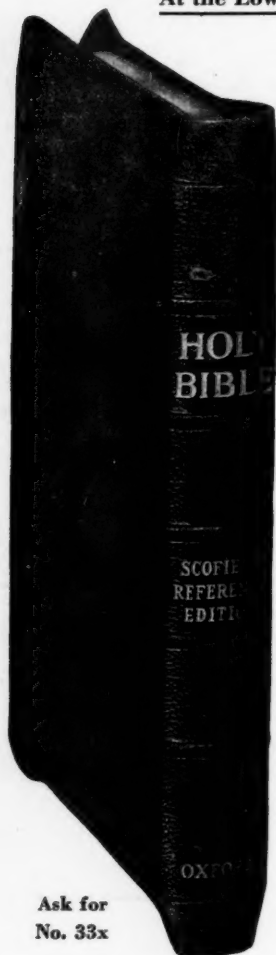
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